

EXHIBIT C

1 INFORMATION ABOUT THE ONGOING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK.**1 DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER OUR CENTRAL OFFICE AND OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS ARE CLOSED TODAY.**

How do I get my certificate corrected?

The Office of Vital Records is required to follow Tennessee law when amending birth, death, marriage or divorce certificates. It is important to us and to you that the certificates issued by this office are accurate. For this reason, each request is given individual attention.

Generally, the documentation listed in the following frequently asked questions is adequate to make the requested correction. However, occasionally we will need additional information. We understand that each and every request is important and work diligently to complete them quickly. Please be patient as some amendment requests could take as long as 10-12 weeks.

Amendment Questions

1. My given or middle name is missing or spelled incorrectly on my birth certificate. How do I get it corrected?
2. My name was legally changed. How do I get it changed on my birth certificate?
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My given or middle name is missing or spelled incorrectly on my birth certificate.

How do I get it corrected?

1. If **any** of the following circumstances are true, a court order is needed to make a name change on the birth certificate:

1. A new birth certificate was created due to an adoption or a court-order of parentage (this does not apply if the amendment is necessary because of a keying error made when creating the new certificate).

2. The name on the certificate has been amended previously.
3. Changing the first & middle name entirely requires review by this office before proceeding. Please contact this office for instructions.

2. If none of the circumstances listed in item 1 are true and the child is less than one year old, this office will need:

1. A notarized affidavit, signed by all parents listed on the birth certificate, which shows the child's full name, date of birth, the incorrect name as it is listed on the certificate and the name as it should be correctly listed.
2. No fee is required to amend a certificate that is less than one year old.

3. If none of the circumstances listed in item 1 are true and the registrant is more than one year old, this office will need:

1. A notarized affidavit showing the child's full name, date of birth, the incorrect name as it is listed on the certificate and the name as it should be correctly listed.
2. Documentary evidence that supports the change being requested (see examples of acceptable documentary evidence).
3. A check or money order for the required amendment fee, and an additional fee for a copy of the corrected certificate.

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My name was legally changed. How do I get it changed on my birth certificate?

In the event of a court-ordered name change, to amend the birth certificate we require the following:

1. An original, certified copy of the court order that changed your name.
2. A check or money order for the required amendment fee, and an additional fee for a copy of the corrected certificate.

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The date of birth is incorrect on my birth certificate. What is needed to correct it?

If the date of birth has never been amended on the certificate, you should submit the following:

1. A signed and notarized affidavit showing the full name, date of birth as it is shown on the certificate and the date of birth as it should be correctly listed.
2. Documentary evidence supporting the correct date of birth (see examples of acceptable documentary evidence).

1. If the correction is to the **day only**, the document must have been created prior to your 21st birthday.*

2. If the correction is to the **month**, the document should have been created prior to your 10th birthday.*

3. If the correction is to the **year**, the document should have been created prior to your 10th birthday,* and we need a list of your siblings names and dates of birth.

4. A check or money order for the required amendment fee, and an additional fee for a copy of the corrected certificate.

*If the registrant is under the age of 21, the document must be dated at least 5 years prior to the request for amendment.

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How do I correct the sex on my birth certificate?

Tennessee law does not allow for the amendment of a birth certificate due to gender reassignment surgery. If a mistake was made on the certificate when recording the sex of the child, the following should be submitted to this office:

1. A signed and notarized affidavit showing the full name, date of birth, the sex as it is shown on the certificate and the sex as it should be correctly listed.

2. Documentary evidence showing the correct sex of the individual (see examples of acceptable documentary evidence).

3. A check or money order for the required amendment fee, and an additional fee for a copy of the corrected certificate.

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A parent's name, date of birth or place of birth is incorrect on my birth certificate.

How do I get it corrected?

If any of the following are true, a court order would be required to amend the certificate.

1. The same information was previously amended

2. A new certificate was created due to adoption and the request for amendment is not due to a keying error made when creating the new certificate

3. A new certificate was created due to a court order of parentage, the requested amendment involves the father's information, and the request was not made to correct a keying error made when creating the new certificate.

4. A certificate is on file in this office, and the requested amendment involves the father's information.

Otherwise please submit the following:

1. A signed and notarized affidavit showing the full name, date of birth, the data as it is shown on the certificate, and the data as it should be correctly listed.
2. A copy of the parent's birth certificate which supports the amendment request.
3. A check or money order for the required amendment fee, and an additional fee for a copy of the corrected certificate.

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What is a notarized affidavit? What should the affidavit include?

A notarized affidavit is a written statement made under oath and signed in the presence of a notary public. The notary public places his/her seal on the document to verify that the signature is authentic. The affidavit submitted to this office must be signed by one of the following persons:

1. The registrant if they are over the age of 18.
2. If the registrant is under 18, a parent listed on the certificate or
3. The legal guardian of the child listed on the certificate (A copy of the guardianship papers must be included.)

The affidavit should include the name and date of the event, the incorrect data as it is listed on the certificate and the data as it should be listed.

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How do I get a court order?

For instructions on obtaining a court order contact the court clerk's office in your county of residence. [Click here](#) for Tennessee court clerks offices.

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What is acceptable documentary evidence?

The documentary evidence submitted in support of an amendment should be the oldest document available. It must provide all of the following information:

1. It must **support the facts of the amendment request**. For example, if you are asking that your name be amended the documentation must show your name as you wish it to be shown on your certificate.
2. It must be **at least 5 years old** (sometimes older documents are required). If the amendment is for a child under 5, the document must have been created as close to the date of birth as possible.

3. It must show **the date that the document was created**
4. It must show the registrant's **full name and date of birth or age**

What are some examples of acceptable documentary evidence?

1. **A school record** - School records can be obtained by contacting the Board of Education in the county or district where you attended school. A list of Tennessee school districts with contact information can be found at the [Department of Education](#) website.
2. **A marriage certificate** – If the marriage occurred in Tennessee during 1951 or later, provide the names of the bride and groom and the date of marriage and we will retrieve the certificate.
3. **The birth certificate of a child** – If the birth occurred in Tennessee within the past 100 years, provide the child's name and date of birth and we will retrieve the certificate.
4. **A parent's birth certificate or death certificate** – If the birth occurred in Tennessee within the past 100 years or the death occurred in Tennessee within the past 50 years, provide names and dates and we will retrieve the certificate.
5. **A Social Security** - Instructions for requesting a numident can be found at the [Social Security Administration](#) website.
6. **A Federal Census Record** can be ordered through the U.S. Government Archives website by [clicking here](#).

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